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missions. The event opens with the presentation of this year's Emerging Leader Award to Jillian Kinzie, followed by a keynote address by Beverly Calender-Anderson, Director, City of Bloomington Safe and Civil City Program.

Following the keynote Q & A, there are three breakout sessions designed to help participants develop new skills or refine others. Breakout sessions include Taking Personal Power Inventory, Philanthropy: Giving of Time or Money, and Community Activism: Women in the Arts.

A reception begins at 5pm. The event is free and open to the public. Call 349-3430 for further information.

Emma Goldman (1869-1940) feminist and birth control pioneer

March 27 • Thursday

7:00-9:00pm

Mujeres en la Artes: Creating a Tapestry of Expression ~

Sponsors: Gamma Phi Omega, Leo R. Dowling International Center, La Casa, Sigma Lambda Gamma, Sigma Lambda Upsilon and Theta Nu Xi. La Casa, Latino Cultural Center 715 E. Seventh St.

¡Come Celebrate! Join us for a night of the arts as local Latinas share their own unique works and contributions For more information e-mail lacasa@indiana.edu.



Carrie C. Catt (1859-1947)



Romana Bañuelos (1925-)



Harriet Tubman (1820-1913)



Florence Nightingale (1820-1910)

History of National Women's History Month

As recently as the 1970's, women's history was virtually an unknown topic in the K-12 curriculum or in general public consciousness. To address this situation, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women initiated a "Women's History Week" celebration in 1978. We chose the week of March 8 to make International Women's Day the focal point of the observance. The activities that were held met with enthusiastic response, and within a few years dozens of schools planned special programs for Women's History Week, more than 100 women participated in the Community Resource Women Project, an annual "Real Woman" Essay Contest drew hundreds of entries, and we were staging a marvelous annual parade and program in downtown Santa Rosa, California.

— from the National Women's History Project www.nwhp.org/whm/promoting.php



March 29 • Saturday

11:00am-4:00pm

4th Annual Luna Women's Arts & Crafts Fair & Women's

Business Expo ~ Co-sponsored by City of Bloomington Commission on the Status of Women • City Hall, 401 N. Morton

This event celebrates the breadth of local women's visual arts and features a Women's Business Expo, highlighting local women-owned businesses. The day's activities will include interactive booths for children, women's business booths, craft demonstrations including weaving, knitting, lace making, and booths full of stained glass, jewelry, hand-made books, paintings and more. This event is free and open to the public.



Punto in Aria (stitch in the air) needlepoint lace panel, c. 1620



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MARCH + 2008 WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Allida Black to Speak in Bloomington

Ilida Black is a research professor of history and international affairs at George Washington University and project director and editor of the Eleanor Roosevelt Papers, with an emphasis on human rights and democratic politics. In addition to editing and publishing, she has prepared teachers' guides for PBS programs and curated an exhibit on Eleanor Roosevelt's role in drafting the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. She has served on the board for the National Women's History Project and on her county's human rights commission, so she combines local and national experience with her academic credentials.



Great minds discuss ideas; Average minds discuss events; Small minds discuss people.

— Eleanor Roosevelt

March 5 • Wednesday

II:15am-I:30pm Women's History Month

Luncheon ~ Keynote speaker, Allida Black, "Women's Rights as Human Rights: Eleanor Roosevelt, Then and Now" at the Bloomington Convention Center, 302 S. College Ave. • 336-3681

7:00pm

Allida Black, "We are all on trial...: Eleanor Roosevelt and the Battle for Human Rights" ~ Co-sponsored by the City of Bloomington Human Rights Commission, introduction by Valeri Haughton, Commission Chair • Monroe County Public Library

March 6 • Thursday

2:30-5:00pm

Allida Black to speak at Lampkins Hall, Ivy Tech Community College, 200 Daniels Way • 332-1559

7:00pm

Allida Black presents "Battling for Justice: Eleanor Roosevelt, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and American Politics" ~ Monroe County History Center, 202 E. Sixth St. • 332-2517

9:00-11:00pm

Allida Black interviewed on Womenspace by Carolyn VandeWiele, WFHB* Community Radio program

* 98.1 FM or 91.3 FM



Chinese couple seated on a bed, c.1750 Collection of The Kinsey Institute

March 6 • *Thursday* (continued) 7:00-8:00pm

Su E Pian (Lady of the Moon): **Women and Sexuality** ~ guest speaker, Liana Zhou, Director of the Collections, The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction ~ Sponsored by Asian Culture Center's *Over A Cup of Tea* at the Asian Culture Center • 807 E. 10th St.

One of the most treasured items from the Kinsey Institute collection is a Chinese book, Su E Pian. This Ming dynasty erotic story, published in 1610, is the only surviving copy in the world. The presentation will introduce the Asian collections as well as highlight Su E Pian and its significance.

March 7 • Friday

7:30-8:45am

Allida Black to speak at the Democratic Women's Caucus monthly breakfast meeting • Village Deli, 409 E. Kirkwood Ave. • 336-2303





"I always feel...the movement is a sort of mosaic. Each of us puts in one little stone, and then you get a great mosaic at the end."

> — Alice Stokes Paul (1885-1977) Suffragist and author of the **Equal Rights Amendment**

March 7 • Friday (continued) 4:30-7:30pm

"First Friday, Girls Night Out" ~ Hosts: Yarns Unlimited and select Fountain Square Retail Tenants • 101 W. Kirkwood Ave.

During this event a percentage of sales will be donated to Ovarian Cancer Research, Yarns Unlimited will donate the proceeds in memory of Barb Bihler. Bring your current knitting or spinning project, and enjoy the company of other fiber artists. Guys welcome too! There will be specials on select yarns that night only, and dessert, drinks and music in the mall will add to the festivities.

March 8 • Saturday

A GLOBAL DAY OF CELEBRATION

International Women's Day (IWD) is the global day connecting all women around the world and inspiring them to achieve their full potential. IWD celebrates the collective power of women past, present and future. Organizations around the world have already commenced planning for their IWD Centenary celebrations in 2011.

March 9 • Girl Scout Sunday

Religious organizations take a moment to recognize the Girl Scouts within their membership.

March 15 • Girl Scout Saturday

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March 20 • Thursday 4:00pm

Diedre McCalla Band ~ Student Commons, Ivy Tech Community College, 200 Daniels Way • 332-1559

A preeminent performer in both folk and women's music circles, Deidre McCalla has shared stages with a long list of notables that include Tracy Chapman, Odetta, Cris Williamson, and Sweet Honey In the Rock.

March 20 • Thursday (continued) 7:00pm

¡Yo Soy Boricua, Pa'que Tu Lo **Sepas!** (I'm Boricua, Just So You Know!): An Interview with Rosie Perez ~ Sponsor: Gamma Phi Omega and La Casa • For more information contact lacasa@indiana.edu • La Casa, Latino Cultural Center, 715 E. Seventh St.

Rosie Perez, in her directorial debut, explores the political history, social activism and national pride of Puerto Rican people. Rosie seamlessly weaves together interviews and narratives and creates a documentary that is both entertaining and educational. During a lively roundtable conversation, Rosie discusses the passion and tenacity of Puerto Ricans striving to achieve the American dream while maintaining their cultural identity.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	Women's History Month Luncheon	6	7	S International Women's Day
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March 20 • Thursday (continued) 7:00pm

Beyond the Ballot Box: Elected Women of Monroe County ~ Monroe County History Center, 202 E. Sixth St., 332-2517

The panel discussion will include former Mayor Tomilea Allison, who was the first elected woman mayor of Bloomington; Flo Davis, one of the first women elected to City Council; Joyce Poling, who has been elected to County Council and County Commissioners; and Iris Kiesling, who has served on both the City Council and County Commissioners.

The program will be taped by CATS for future broadcast.

March 20 • Thursday (continued) 7:00pm

"Women Coloring Outside the

Lines: A Focus on Intersex Syndromes & Sexuality" ~ Presented by Cindy Stone and colleagues • Sponsored by the IU GLBT Student Support Office, open to the public, admission free • Indiana Memorial Union, Walnut Room (IMU Mezzanine Level)

A look at women, past and present, who were born with bodies that don't perfectly align with standard male or female anatomy. We'll have a brief presentation, show the documentary "One in 2000" and have a discussion on intersexuality and how it affects sexuality. Our presenters are



educator, first African-American woman elected to U.S. Congress, first woman to run for U.S. President

devoted to ending shame and secrecy for individuals, usually women, without the standard male or female body.

March 21 • Friday

12:30-1:30pm

Who are Asian Pacific Americans? presents "Human Trafficking and **Sexual Tourism"** ~ Co-sponsored by Asian American Association at the Asian Culture Center • 807 E. 10th St.

According to UNICEF, it is estimated that there are more than one million child prostitutes in Asia. Girls as young as 13 are being sold as "mail order brides" to the highest bidder. Our discussion will be dedicated to this topic and to find ways to address this form of oppression of young women. Who are APA? is a bi-monthly roundtable lunch discussion.

Light lunch provided to participants.

March 22 • Saturday

9:30-11:00am

League of Women Voters Legislative Update ~ Monroe County Public Library, Room B or C, 303 E. Kirkwood Ave.

Mother (Mary Harris) Jones, Labor activist (1830-1930)



7:00-10:00pm First Annual Luna Music Festival

March 22 • Saturday (continued)

Buskirk-Chumley Theatre • 114 E. Kirkwood Ave. • 323-3020

A tribute to the contributions of women in the performing arts ~ a rich display of musical genres including Alternative Rock and 1960's Motown. Highlights of the evening are performances by Jenn Christy, Brenda Williams and the Soul Review, Jennie DeVoe with special appearances by the young women in Girls Inc. of Monroe County. Tickets are \$25 each for general admission seating, available through Sunrise Box Office at 812-323-3020. Doors open at 6:00pm for hors d'oeuvres provided by Middle Way Food Works. Proceeds benefit Fair Trade Bloomington, Girls Inc., Middle Way House & Women Inspire.

March 24 • Monday

5:00-7:00pm

Having Power in Your Community: Women's Leadership **Development** ~ Co-sponsored by City of Bloomington Commission on the Status of Women. Office of the City Clerk and the IU Women's Student Association • City Hall, 401 N. Morton St.

The purpose of the event is to encourage and support women's efforts to become active in their community, particularly on local boards and com-

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